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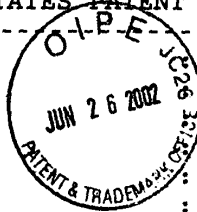
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FOR: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CHECKING:  
A SAFETY VALVE



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Sir:

Submitted herewith is an original declaration and power of attorney executed by the inventors along with the surcharge fee of \$130.00 for the above referenced case. Also submitted herewith is the English translation and the \$130.00 fee for its submission.

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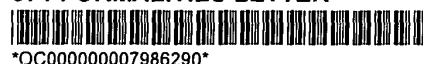
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

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- Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
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